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ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION

MARCH 3, 2003
9:00 A.M.

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order--Roll Call.** (Mayor Smith and Council Members Wyatt and Dowe were absent.)

A communication from Mayor Ralph K. Smith requesting a Closed Meeting to discuss vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

File #110-132

Approved (4-0, Mayor Smith and Council Members Wyatt and Dowe were absent.)

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE IMMEDIATELY RECONVENED IN THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM, ROOM 159.



COUNCIL WORK SESSION

MARCH 3, 2003

9:00 A.M.

ROOM 159

AGENDA

(Mayor Smith was absent.)

2. Items listed on the 2:00 p.m. Council docket requiring questions/discussion/clarification; and additions/deletions to the 2:00 p.m. docket. (25 minutes)
3. Topics for discussion by the Mayor and Members of Council. (15 minutes)
4. Briefings by City staff:
 - Traffic Calming Plans for Williamson Road, N. W.(20 minutes)
 - Leadership College (10 minutes)
 - Franklin Road Culvert (10 minutes)
 - The Fairacres property (15 minutes)



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1. Call to Order--Roll Call. (Mayor Smith was absent.)

The Invocation was delivered by David Springer, Member, Bahai' Faith.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor Ralph K. Smith.

Welcome. Mayor Smith.

NOTICE:

Meetings of Roanoke City Council are televised live on RVTv Channel 3. Today's meeting will be replayed on Channel 3 on Thursday, March 6, 2003, at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, March 8, 2003, at 4:00 p.m. Council meetings are now being offered with closed captioning for the hearing impaired.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT MEMBERS OF COUNCIL RECEIVE THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AND RELATED COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, ETC., ON THE THURSDAY PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR REVIEW OF INFORMATION. CITIZENS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING A COPY OF ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA MAY CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 456, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., OR CALL 853-2541.

THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE NOW PROVIDES THE MAJORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ON THE INTERNET FOR VIEWING AND RESEARCH PURPOSES. TO ACCESS AGENDA MATERIAL, GO TO THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT WWW.ROANOKEGOV.COM, CLICK ON THE ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL ICON, CLICK ON MEETINGS AND AGENDAS, AND DOWNLOAD THE ADOBE ACROBAT SOFTWARE TO ACCESS THE AGENDA.

ALL PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE STAFF ASSISTANT WHO IS LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. ON THE SAME AGENDA ITEM, ONE TO FOUR SPEAKERS WILL BE ALLOTTED FIVE MINUTES EACH, HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE MORE THAN FOUR SPEAKERS, EACH SPEAKER WILL BE ALLOTTED THREE MINUTES.

ANY PERSON WHO IS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A CITY COUNCIL APPOINTED AUTHORITY, BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 853-2541, OR ACCESS THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT WWW.ROANOKEGOV.COM, TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION.

2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

Proclamation declaring the month of March 2003 as American Red Cross Month.

File #3

3. CONSENT AGENDA

(APPROVED 6-0)

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

- C-1 A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council schedule a public hearing for Monday, March 17, 2003, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, with regard to an encroachment into the public right-of-way at the main entrance of the Roanoke Regional Airport.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concur in the request.

File #9-28-166

- C-2 A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council schedule a public hearing for Monday, March 17, 2003, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, with regard to a proposed conveyance of City-owned property on Municipal Road, N. E., identified as Official Tax No. 6640123.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concur in the request.

File #2-9-166

REGULAR AGENDA

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.

5. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. A communication from the Honorable C. Nelson Harris, Chair, Personnel Committee, with regard to the position of Director of Real Estate Valuation.

**Received and filed.
File #162-184**

- b. A request for endorsement by Council of a resolution recognizing the architectural and historic significance of the Fairacres property, 2713 Avenham Avenue, S. W. (The matter was continued at the February 18, 2003 meeting of Council.)

**Adopted Resolution No. 36249-030303. (6-0)
File #216**

- c. A request of the Roanoke City Public Schools to present an update on the English Language Learners Program. Scott Meadows, Coordinator, Marketing and Community Engagement. (Sponsored by the City Manager.)

**Received and filed.
File #467**

6. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

- a. CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFINGS: NONE.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

1. A communication recommending authorization to file applications for Federal and State public assistance in connection with a local snow emergency commencing on February 15, 2003, and ending on February 17, 2003; and a local flooding emergency commencing on February 22, 2003.

**Adopted Resolution Nos. 36250-030303 and 36251-030303.
(6-0)
File #188-237-410**

2. A communication recommending encroachment of an existing awning at 216 Market Street, into the right-of-way of Market Street and Kirk Avenue.

**Adopted Ordinance No. 36252-030303. (6-0)
File #28-107**

3. A communication with regard to recycling of printer cartridges.

**Adopted Resolution No. 36253-030303. (6-0)
File #282-472**

4. A communication recommending acceptance of a grant from the Virginia Department of Emergency Management to assist Virginia localities in response to weapons of mass destruction incidents.

**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36254-030303 and Resolution
Nos. 36255-030303 and 36256-030303. (6-0)
File #60-188-236**

5. A communication with regard to workers' compensation supplemental pay inequities.

**Adopted Resolution No. 36257-030303. (6-0)
File #184**

6. A communication recommending appropriation and transfer of funds in connection with traffic control plans for the Roanoke Civic Center and Stadium/Amphitheater events.

Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36258-030303. (6-0)
File #20-60-122-192-316

7. A communication with regard to an emergency procurement for the purchase of salt to be used during the winter months.

Received and filed.
File #410

b. CITY CLERK:

1. A report requesting that Council establish certain dates in connection with appointment of three Trustees to the Roanoke City School Board, for terms commencing July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2006.

Council concurred in the proposed timetable.
File #467

c. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. Financial report for the month of January 2003.

Received and filed.
File #1-10

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

- a. A report of the City Planning Commission recommending an amendment to C-3, Central Business District regulations to include veterinary clinics, without corrals and pens, as a special exception use. Robert B. Manetta, Chair.

Adopted Resolution No. 36259-030303. (4-2, Council Members Wyatt and Dowe voted no.)
File #51-54

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.

9. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

- a. A resolution appointing Allen D. Williams as a Director of the Industrial Development Authority of the City of Roanoke, to fill the unexpired term of Stark H. Jones, resigned, ending October 20, 2006.

**Adopted Resolution No. 36260-030303. (6-0)
File #110-207**

10. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

- a. Inquiries and/or comments by the Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Members of City Council.

**Council Member Carder expressed appreciation to Senator Edwards, Delegates Thomas and Woodrum, Tom Dick, Legislative Liaison, and the City Attorney for their efforts in connection with the City's 2003 Legislative Program. He advised that six key initiatives were identified and all six were passed by the legislature.
File #80-137**

**Council Member Carder expressed appreciation to the City Manager and City Staff for their response to his inquiry regarding information on those programs that have been mandated by State and Federal Governments, but have not been funded and/or had funding reduced by the State and/or Federal governments.
File #60-175**

Council Member Dowe advised that the words “appropriate memorial” and “Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.” are not synonymous terms. He stated that there is nothing that can be named in Dr. King’s honor that would be appropriate in view of the many contributions that he made for the betterment of his fellow man. He advised that his motive in offering the suggestion to name the First Street Bridge in memory of Dr. King was intended to honor the “man”.

File #80-102

- b. Vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council.

11. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:

CITY COUNCIL SETS THIS TIME AS A PRIORITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD. MATTERS REQUIRING REFERRAL TO THE CITY MANAGER WILL BE REFERRED IMMEDIATELY FOR RESPONSE, RECOMMENDATION OR REPORT TO COUNCIL.

Ms. Evelyn D. Bethel, 35 Patton Avenue, N. E., suggested that Roanoke Civic Center patrons, when ordering/purchasing tickets, be permitted to select the parking deck of their choice, which will enable the City to keep a tally of the number of persons expected to park in each parking garage.
File #192

Mr. Robert Gravely, 3360 Hershberger Road, N. W., spoke with regard to flooding conditions in the City of Roanoke on Saturday, February 22. He expressed concern that the naming of the First Street Bridge in memory of Dr. King is not a befitting memorial; low wages for citizens of the City of Roanoke; and the voices of citizens are not being heard by their City government.

File #66-102-175-184-237

12. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

The City Manager commended City employees for their participation in Citizens Appreciation Day which was held on Saturday, March 1, at Valley View Mall. She stated that the event provided an opportunity to showcase the various services offered by the City of Roanoke.

File #80-184

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION. (6-0)

The following persons were appointed/reappointed to various City Council Appointed Committees:

**Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
File #15-67-110**

**James Settle for a term
ending March 31, 2006.**

**Flood Plain Committee
File #110-237**

**Herbert C. Berding, Jr.,
for a term ending
June 30, 2003.**

**City Planning Commission
File #15-110-200**

**Gilbert E. Butler, Jr.,
D. Kent Chrisman, and
Henry Scholz for terms
ending December 31,
2006.**

THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS UNTIL FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2003, AT 8:30 A.M., FOR THE COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL PLANNING SESSION TO BE HELD IN ROOM 159, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., CITY OF ROANOKE, VIRGINIA.